HE FELT SMALLEST.

The Story of a Married Man's Visit to a

Greeery Store. There are occasions when a man feels small, there are occasions when he feels smaller and there are occasions when he feels smallest. This tale deals with one of the last mentioned.

cause," as his wife explained it, "they don't keep it out here.

He had also been instructed to get just two pounds of it, "because," as his wife again explained. "I merely improvement upon what I am now

Then she wrote the name on a slip of paper for him, for she had learned by experience not to trust to his memory, and informed him that she didn't know

afternoon, pulled out a scrap of paper with the name of what he wanted on it, handed it to a clerk and said he'd

take two pounds. The clerk looked a little surprised and asked if he couldn't use five pounds, as the stuff came in five pound packages, but he felt confident that his wife knew her business, and besides he could not forget that he only had about \$1.75 in change in his pocket anyway, so he coldly informed the clerk that he knew what he wanted and how much he wanted and that he saw no reason for wasting his hard earned cash on more than that just because they were fools enough to put it up in large pack-

the five pound package to get the necessary two pounds. Then it suddenly dawned upon the young man that in view of the bluff he had made he would be in a very awkward position if the two pounds came to more than his \$1.75. He recalled that his wife had said that it wouldn't cost very much, but she had said the same thing once about a bonnet, and he had never placed much faith in her views of the value of things since. However, he made the best of the situation and asked "How

He felt that he had made about 20 cents' stuff out of a 15 cent package and in addition had suffered a full dellar's worth of mental torture

He was not in good humor when he reached home, -Chicago Post.

MINING BY STEAMBOAT.

From a River's Be

A most valuable and interesting enterprise in the shape of a gold boat is through the shale and underlying recks, don to "mine own dear sovereign lady: now in progess on the Snake river, about four miles below Moutgomerys Ferry, on the road from Minidoka to ly not less than 1,500 feet. vision of Ceorg: Burroughs. This boat constantly occurring, not only in the and its machinery are the product of "pipe" itself, but from the "country the genius and experience of Mr. Burrock" at its side. Water became trousum of Norfelk."

Sometimes a bit of feminine vanity

wide, the extreme length from the nose scon absolute necessities. of the suction to the end of the tailings elevator being 150 feet. The gravel is lifted by a rotary pump, driven by a 75 united under the name of the De Beers the queen was here, I begrowed my much more."—New York Sun. horsepower engine, the action pipe being 30 feet long and 12 inches in diambeen sunk through the "country rock," cousin Elizabeth Clere's device, for I been sunk through the "country rock," eter. There are two other engines, one of which is used to move the boat and "pipes." The diamond bearing rock is were here at that time." vator, by which the coarse material is layer and is taken up to the surface. commissions was like other men's, for by the light supplied by sugar only. delivered at a point some distance back of the boat. Power is furnished by two discovered, but that is a mere chance. that he "vouchsafe to remember to pursually sunlight for two hours and then placed 50 horsepower boilers. The boat is worked backward and forward across closure, where it is exposed to atmost my girdle," and in still another, "I placed in the darkness the sunlight the river, the nose of the suction being pheric action in order that, if possible, thank you that ye vouchsafe to remem- stored in the sugar began to glow, faint kept against the bank of gravel and the boat working up stream. Everything is taken up. The material is mostly ordinary gravel, but occasionally bowlders nary gravel, but occasionally bowlders come through, some of which weigh At last, after being subjected to various she writes him minutely of her plans in gradually went cut. The photographs 50 pounds.

der the burlap. When the tables are may be a gem of the first water. The cleaned up, the concentrates are rocked | South African diamonds very frequently

three times. It has been a success from the several mines, so that an expert can this glimpse of the shopping of Marthe start, and during the past year it has been greatly enlarged. It would which a stern has been greatly enlarged. It would which a stern has been greatly enlarged. It would which a stern has been greatly enlarged. It would which a stern has been greatly enlarged. cost from \$15,000 to \$20,000 to duplicate the plant. The operating expenses are in the neighborhood of \$20 a day. I was unable to come to your lecture At present the boat runs only during last night. Were there many there? the day, but with a force of seven men it could be kept in operation throughout | not so many as I expected. But I never the 24 hours. Thirteen men are now thought there would be. - London engaged in gathering fuel. Some are Punch. hauling cedar, while others are cutting and baling sagebrush. The latter makes the better fire, but it costs a little more where by wetting the ground with a larged upon the importance of economy

method than the burlap by which the prising numbers. gold can be saved successfully. He has been operating on the river since the spring of 1894 and has the credit of be-voices of singers and actors can be ing the only person to make a success of much better preserved if used in theaany extensive plant for saving the flour ters lighted by electricity rather than gold that is found in such abundance gas. along the great river for hundreds of miles. His views, therefore, are entitled to the greatest weight. The gravel he is Italians, however, pesture better. working is worth at best only 10 cents a yard, and he is greatly interested in above. - Boise Statesman.

THE IMMENSELY RICH FIELD OF WHICH KIMBERLEY IS THE CENTER.

Wonderful Abundance of Jewels In a Very Small Area-The Peculiar Formations Which Surround and Lie Above the Diamonds-How They Are Taken.

Before the Kimberley mines were | discovered most of the diamonds added to the world's stock came from either Hindustan or from Brazil. The largest deposits were found in Golconda, in the Hyderabad territory, and in Minas Gernes, in Brazil. The African discoveries first showed scientific men what the origin and native place of the diamond thing at one of the large greery houses in the business section of the city, "besoil and was picked up out of differing formations. In South Africa it was found in a rotten rock, apparently forming part of the earth's crust, and not a mere superficial deposit, as the others wish to try it and see whether it is an had been. The great mines in this region, according to a correspondent of the London Standard, are situated within a circle about 314 miles in diameter. There are five principal mines, the They are the famous Kimberley, Bultfontein, De Beers, Du Toits Pan what is of more worth to us now, giv-

certainly would not be very much, to and Wesselton mines. They are of fabing glimpses of household economy and, certainly would not be very much, to which he responded that he was glad which he responded that he was glad below the property of the responded that he was glad below the responded that he was glad below to the respondent to th which he responded that he was grad of that, for the reason that he had only a little change with him.

So it havened that he drifted into sea level and lies at the northern edge wife, looking into every death of her So it happened that he drifted into one of the big retail greecey houses that afternoon, pulled out a scrap of paper.

Of a plateau which extends from the large establishment and, from her husafternoon, pulled out a scrap of paper.

Bokkeveldt mountains, near the cape band's prolonged absences, forced to asset the cape band's prolonged absences, forced to asset the cape band's prolonged absences. of Good Hope, to the border of the ransvaul. There are mines in the Orange Free State, two being of considerable note, one 30, the other 60 miles away, with several more of less impertance both there and in the Kimberley lawsuits and arranged the marriages of

them is not very rich or steady. Mining is interesting to note the "ewig wei in the rock was carried on at first in a bliche" running like a thread of gold rough and ready fashion, but all that through a long series of letters. has changed. In most parts of the disges.

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hard mineral grains can be seen.

This at first is of a rusty yellowish dry clay. The two rocks are identical in origin, but the upper or "yellow ground" is more decomposed than the lower or "blue ground." Gradually and of broad cloth of black, for one hood for me, of 44d, or 4 shillings a yard, for there is neither good cloth nor better security than his word," said three cents a pound, "answered the the rock ceases to yield to spade or pick.

That was when he experienced the superistive of the adjective "small."

It has to be quarried in the usual way and is quite as hard as a bit of good frieze in this town. "

Yet this town was Norwich, the sent of woolen factories from the time of uneng bankers too. I remember a little that he had a superior of the supe He felt that he had made about 20 cents' worth of work to get 6 cents' worth of stuff out of a 15 cent package and in stuff out of had suffered a full deliar's come angular, some rounded, from ket and the source of ordinary supplies, at least two inches in diameter down to very small grains. Some evidently are pieces of reck, others are minerals (oflike crystals). All these are set in a dark greenish colored matrix. This, then—whether rotten or solid—is the which gave their names to the fabrics utation of being a good fellow. He ask-An Ingenious Method of Extracting Gold | diamond bearing rock. It seems to fill there made, were in the east of Nor-

Albion, which is likely to open up a out" in a number of small claims, and linguise where William Paston bought his tippet of fine worsted, which is alnew field of operation. This boat be- the soft stuff was comparatively easy to most like silk, and if that be much shall be glad to let you have the mon- N.E cor Howard & German Sts. new field of operation. This boat be the soft stuff was comparatively easy to longs to Louis Sweetser and George work, but by degrees many difficulties finer than that ye should buy me after work, but by degrees many difficulties finer than that ye should buy me after ey. What is your security?'

"Simply my word.' Burroughs of the cattle firm of Sweet- arose. As the excavations were deepened 7 or 8 shillings, then buy me a quarter ser & Burroughs. It has been constructed by and is under the personal superday arate. Slips and falls of material were it be dearer than the other, for I would business. Who are yeu?

the other to drive a scraper and ele- querried away, as it were, layer by

bottom of the river is delivered into a sluice on board the boat. The upper end been produced by these mines is somesluice on board the boat. The upper end been produced by these mines is someto be produced by the sent mines is somegown for me. I should buy me a murbeen produced by these mines is someyear gown to go in this summer and lay sack of sugar to strong soulight for two of the sluice is about six feet above the thing astonishing. Indeed the directors rey gown to go in this summer and lay sack of sugar to strong sculight for two floor of the boat, and the pitch is very find it needful to limit the output lest in the collar the satin that ye gave me hours enough light could be procured steep. The sluice is 80 feet in length they should glut the market. It is said for a hood, and I can get none good from it to illumine a small house for and 4 feet wide. The gravel is sent over that by the end of 1892 about ten tens buckram in this town to line it with." the same period.—Lencen Tit-Bits. grizzlies, all the coarse material being of diamonds had been yielded by these carried to the end of the sluice, where it is ranged out by a series of steel would fill, as Crookes, the well known fit for a boy at Eton: scrapers running on an endless chain English scientist and lecturer, stated in and delivered upon a belt that carries it in back of the beat and drops it again these mines, a box 5 feet square and 6 one for the working days (how coarse feet high. The annual product is now soever it be maketh no matter) and a the father, were physical giants. The sand carrying the gold drops about half a ton, and some 8,000 per- stomacher and two shirts and a pair of upon burlap tables. Of these there are eight on each side. They are 15 feet fifth are white, are employed in the long and 3 feet wide, standing at right works. The above estimate includes angles to the sluice and reaching some diamonds of all kinds, bad and good, writings to have been a sort of skeleton distance over the sides of the boat. The for one stone may be fit for nothblack sand and gold gather on and un- ing but cutting purposes, while another

Disappointment Qualified. Lady-I was awfully sorry, professor, The Professor (Irish)—Um-well-

solution of blue vitriol or with soap- in the matter of fuel. At the conch Mr. Burroughs says there is no other suds, which will bring them out in sur-

A medical authority states that the about the coals."

Americans and Russians. French and usually smiles."-Brooklyn Life.

Professor Bulley of Tchacu has sucthe other sections of the river, where the value is said to run to \$1 a yard and vines. In this case the tomatoes grew aminer. to rull size, but the potatoes remained tween kleptomania and theft," said the small.

The same described the same described tween kleptomania and theft," said the student.—Typographical Journal.

THE DIAMOND'S HOME SHOPPING LONG AGO.

SOME INTERESTING INFORMATION IN "THE PASTON LETTERS."

missions Which Wives Gave to Their a Quaint Appearance In This Ago—Dame Paston as a Housewife.

In the spring of 1440 Dame Agnes an her son proposes to marry, she says: "The parson of Stockton told me that painters, gilders, calico printers, type

if ye would buy her a gown her mother would give thereto a goodly fur; the

letters, covering nearly 50 years, are the women of the period. Margaret Pasdistrict. The river washings are still her children and grandchildren. But, continued, but the yield of gems from withal, she was a very woman, and it

The orders sent to her husband and trict, after clearing away some feet of son, who were usually in London, for surface soil, the excavator comes upon various articles of apparel are curious a dark, easly shale 100 feet or more to examine. That in her youth she was thick. Beneath this lies a mass of igneous reck allied to basalt, more than a letter written not long after her mared by a blackish shale, with bands of husband's health during some slight in-hard sandstene. But here and there in-disposition, she had "lever than a new stend of the shale, though surrounded by it, like a pond in a field, is a mass of curious rotten stuff, in which sometimes fragments of shale and sometimes | the plain necessities of everyday wear,

as for example: "I pray you that ye would vouchsafe color. Then in about 100 feet it turns to to buy me some frieze to make of your dull green and becomes a little more children's gowns. Ye should have best solid-sometimes distinctly harder than | cheap and best choice of Hay's wife, as

ten breken, but occasionally looking things as needeth me against this win-

huge pipes or shafts, which somehow or other have been driven or "punched" the former Sir John writes from Lon-

and these go vertically downward to "I pray ye you will send me hither what distance is unknown, but certain-two ells of worsted for doublets to happe me this cold winter, and that ye

About 1880 the mines had been accost on me against Whitsuntide that I later Pat came in and returned it.

processes, including washing, the min- making her gowns, saying: "I pray you taken by sugar light are quite distinct The material thus mined from the eral residue is picked over for diamonds. that ye would vouchsafe to buy a piece though not as clear as an ordinary pho-The quantity of diamonds which have of black buckram for to line with a tograph. The scientist who made this The letter of her son William, writ-

"I beseech you send me a hose cloth,

slippers." This musculine stomacher seems from other scant mention thereof in early inner waistcoat, perhaps not much more than the chest protector of today.

There is no more vivid appreciation of existing conditions of society than over copper plates, the gold being appear to be broken. Colored specimens are not rare, and a slight yellow tinge son with life relatively of the same de The pump delivers 200 yards of gravel an hour. The boat has been built over the diamonds found in As a suggestion of such fruitful study is

An amusing story is told of how the late Lord Fitzgerald discomfitted a treas ury official who was sent over from England to complain of the excessive expenditure for coal in the lord chief justice's court. He received the man and listened gravely and formally while Angleworms can be obtained any the latter stated his errand and enand when the servant appeared said,

'Tell Mary that the man has come Progress "That singer has made great strides in the profession, hasn't she?" "Yes, indeed. Formerly, when she The best dancers are said to be the received an encore, she sang; now she

Fine Distinction. "What is the difference between on alias and an incognitor" asked the ex-

"About the same as the difference b

TRADES THAT KILL.

connations That Gradually Destroy the Lives of the Men Engaged In The People are afraid to travel by land or ea and take out all sorts of accident policies, but there are many legitimate occupations or trades that kill as cer-Husbands In the Fifteenth Century Have tainly and stendily as the most ill reg ulated steam engine. An old writer said that human life was the cheapest thing on earth. Strange to say, says an English trade journal, you cannot Paston wrote to her "right worship- frighten the workmen who know how ful and dear husband" in haste, the dangerous is their trade, and not even Wednesday next after "Dens qui erranti- higher wages will tempt them from bus" (the collect for the third Sunday such death traps. Lead, in the form of after Easter). Having commended the bullets and shot, is a deadly, dangerous gracious mien of the young gentlewom- thing, but it is also death dealing to all who use it in their work, as hous

founders, potters and braziers. Mercury is a fee to life. Those who make mirrors, barometers or thermomgown needeth to be had, and of color it eters, who etch or color wool or felt, would be a goodly blue or else a bright will soon feel the effect of the nitrate of mercury in teeth, gums and the tis The Mistress Margaret Manteby, for suce of the body. Silver kills those who whom this gown was "purveyed," be- handle it, and photographers, makers of whom this gown was "purveyed, became the wife of John Puston, and her hair dyes and ink and other prepara-letters covering nearly 50 years are ly weariness subdues them, and soon noteworthy in that famous collection, they succumb. Copper enters into the largest being only about 45 acres in ex- 'The Paston Letters,' which reveal so composition of many articles of every many secrets of bygone statecraft, but, | composition of months who work in bronzing and similar decorative proc esses lese teeth and eyesight and final and sick from the arsenic in its color ing, and matchmakers lose strengtl and vitality from the excess of phos horus used in their business.

Nitric acid is used by engravers, by etchers in copper, by makers of gun cotten and these who supply our homes with lovely picture frames. Its fumes are poison to the human lungs and scor kills the sompmakers; workers in gunne grow deaf; hydrocyanic acid deals death to gilders, photographers and pic ture finishers, while zinc is a fatal fo to calico printers, makers of optical glasses and meerschaum pipes.

Markind is by nature brave, and very few are deterred from action because of supposed danger. If the great builders and engineers of the world would stop and ask, "How many lives will this undertaking cost?" it is prob some of the greatest triumphs of modern thought. Everyday life and com- Livery. mon occupations are full of silent courage, and all around are workers who die in the harness and are true heroes Exchange without knowing it.

A FAMOUS GAMBLER.

Pat Sheedy's Word Invariably Taken as years ago that illustrates this. Pat had spent seme time in Saratoga and luck was against him. He came down to
Eoston, and the first night that he was
in town he went against a faro game

All trains met and passengers conveyed to any part of Peninsula at fair rates and enough left to pay his way back to New ed for the president, and when he had

'I came to borrow a small amount from your bank, \$1,000 in fact.' "Pat, you knew, looks like a prosperous, conservative business man, and evidently the president thought that he

"'All right,' was the reply. 'We

" 'I am Pat Sheedy, the gambler,

"It happened that the president knew blesome and working expensive. Coto lesome and working expensive "I pray you that ye would do your from his personal account. Two days quired by companies, and they are now may have something for my neck. When had cleared it from the game and as

Photographs by Sugar Light. A scientist has discovered that light

may be produced from sugar. He has And Sir John's memory for domestic succeeded in taking several photographs ly at first, but quite brightly after a few

> The Best Man. An actor told a story the other evening about a fencing master in Londo

who had two sons. Both of them, like Which was the strenger and better fighter was a disputed question until a burglar got into the house one night. One of the sons, epening the front door with a latchkey late at night, found the intruder in the hall. They immediate-

The other brother, hearing the noise rushed down stairs, and, not being abl in the dark to distinguish a burglar from a worthy and hencet citizen of London, proceeded to pound both men whom he ran against.

Meanwhile brother number one thinking there were two burglars in the house, turned half of his attention to the new enemy, and the fight became

The father, awakened by the uprear not only the burglar, but his two sons. -Pearson's Weekly.

What He Couldn't Do. A student in one of the Buffalo medical colleges is responsible for the statement that at a certain place of public entertainment one of the boys was bragging of his manifold accomplishments until one of the company lost patience and said in a gruff tone: "'Now, we've heard enough about what you can do. Come, tell us what there is you can't do, and I'll undertake to do it myself.' "Waal," replied the student, with a

yawn, "I can't pay my account here So glad to find you're the man to do it." And the critic paid the score ami ars of laughter from the party. -Bu fulo Commercial.

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